

Troopers Conducting Death Investigation



Presented by Public Information Officer, Master Corporal Jeffrey R. Hale

Laurel- Delaware State Police are currently conducting a death investigation following a shooting which occurred this afternoon in Laurel.

The initial investigation began at approximately 3:45 p.m. this afternoon, Sunday, January 29, 2017, after troopers were called to assist the Laurel Police Department for the complaint of shots fired in the area of Sunset Drive, in the Wexford Village Development, Laurel. Upon their arrival troopers learned that an 18 year old male victim had been struck in his lower torso by a bullet fired from an unknown suspect. The victim was treated at the scene by Sussex County Paramedics and transported to the Nanticoke Memorial Hospital where he was pronounced dead. The victim's body was turned over to the Division of Forensic Sciences where an autopsy

will be performed to determine the manner and cause of death.

The investigation into this incident by the Delaware State Police Homicide Unit is in its early stages and no arrests have been made.

More information will be released as it becomes available.

If anyone has any information in reference to this incident they are asked to contact Detective Daniel Grassi at 302-368-8441. Information may also be provided by calling [Delaware Crime Stoppers](#) at 1-800-TIP-3333, via the internet at www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com, or by sending an anonymous tip by text to 274637 (CRIMES) using the keyword "DSP."

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